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WEATHER FORECAST

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Humidity " 85. " 72

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THE ULSTER CRISIS.

UNPREDECENTED REVOLT OF OFFICERS.

THE MATTER DISCUSSED IN PARLIAMENT.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph,"]

London, Received March 23.

According to trustworthy accounts, the position in the Third Cavalry Brigade at the Curragh and Dublin is unprecedented.

On Friday morning the War Office requested officers who were unprepared for active service in Ulster to send in their papers within twelve hours.

Seventy, out of seventy-five, including General Gough, N.C., did send in their papers.

As a result of the reference at the War Office on Friday night, General Paget, the Officer Commanding the Troops in Ireland, conferred on Saturday with the senior officers who had resigned.

Court-Martial Possible.

It was intimated that the War Office was willing to accept the resignations of General Gough and Major Kearsley, but not the others, who, if they disobeyed orders, would be liable to be tried by court-martial.

General Gough and Major Kearsley declined the special treatment offered and said they would stand or fall with their brother officers.

General Paget then intimated that the movement of troops at present was only for the protection of Government property and to assist the Police in maintaining order.

The Officers' Decision.

In view of this assurance the officers eventually agreed to go to Ulster, but definitely stated that they would not participate in hostilities against Loyalists.

This decision was telegraphed to Whitehall, and afterwards General Gough, Colonel McEwen of the 16th Lancers and Colonel Parker of the 5th Lancers were summoned to London. They visited the War Office yesterday.

Meanwhile the orders to move the Cavalry from the Curragh and Dublin northward have been suspended.

Colonel Hogg of the 4th Lancers has not resigned.

A number of officers left the Curragh yesterday on special leave. They stated that their resignations had not been accepted because they would then be free to join the Ulster Volunteers.

Many resignations have also been tendered in the infantry and Artillery Brigades at Dublin, the Curragh, Newbridge, and Kilburn, but up to the present all Infantry and Artillery ordered North have gone without demur.

"Honest" Misunderstanding.

The Times learns that the attitude of the Government is that the resignations are due to honest misunderstanding of the matter which had been tactlessly handled locally. There would be no penalisation of the officers. General Paget has been summoned to London.

It is expected that Mr. Bonar Law will move the adjournment of the House to-day and that an important debate will follow.

Lord Lansdowne will raise the question of the resignations of the officers in the House of Lords to-day.

There was a series of conferences of leading Ministers throughout the day and evening yesterday, and this is regarded as an indication of a very grave crisis.

The London and South-Western railway management state that they know nothing of the report that they had been ordered to keep trains in readiness at Aldershot for the conveyance of 10,000 troops to Glasgow and other ports.

TELEGRAMS.

THE ULSTER CRISIS.

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London, Received March 23.

Unanswered Question.

Mr. P. E. Morelly, Liberal member for Burnley, pointed out that the question as to whether or not General Gough had returned to Ireland on terms, had not been answered. He asked Colonel Seely to answer it.

Press Comments.

The Liberal organs ascribe the resignations to political influences, and say they must be dealt with drastically, otherwise the Army's word will become the sole law.

The Daily News says that the Military conspirators against Parliament should be broken mercilessly, never re-admitted to the Army, and replaced from the ranks.

The Daily Chronicle comment is in similar strain.

The Unionist papers laud the resignations, and declare it is the duty of the Unionists to see that those who have resigned do not suffer for their self-sacrificing patriotism.

TO-DAY'S WIRES.

Further Conferences.

London, Received March 24.

General Paget has conferred with Colonel Seely at the War Office, where General Gough and other Irish officers, as well as several Aldershot officers were also called.

General Gough's brother John, stationed at Aldershot, has also resigned.

A full meeting of the Cabinet was held after the War Office conferences, and it is understood that a statement will be made in the House of Commons to-night.

Crowds of unusual dimensions have gathered in Downing Street. It is reported that a number of other Aldershot officers are in readiness to resign if ordered to Ireland.

The Nationalists at Derry have finally abandoned their proposed muster.

King and Cabinet.

Colonel Seely left the Cabinet meeting and went to see the King, with whom he was in audience for three-quarters of an hour. He then returned to the Cabinet, which was evidently awaiting the result of the visit.

His Majesty the King has granted an audience to General Paget.

Belfast is most calm. The bluejackets are fraternising with the Volunteers.

Sir Edward Carson prolongs his stay in Ulster. He says he will keep steadily preparing against coercion.

House of Commons Debate.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Balfour ridiculed the efforts of Mr. Asquith to minimise what had happened in the Army. He declared that the instructions were meant to be directed against Ulster, and that General Gough resigned under that impression, was dismissed because he did not want to fight against Ulster. (Cheers.)

Mr. Balfour concluded by saying that the Government were dealing with a question deeper than ordinary problems. They had raised forces which nothing could pacify, except broad statesman-like treatment which hitherto they had not attempted to adopt. (Cheers.)

Mr. A. H. Horsfall.

The Mr. Horsfall referred to as contributing £20,000 to the Ulster Fund is evidently Mr. Alfred Herbert Horsfall, D.S.O., who is practising as physician and surgeon at Newcastle, New South Wales because of class bias.

TELEGRAMS.

THE ULSTER CRISIS.

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London, Received March 23.

Visiting Vienna.

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TELEGRAMS.

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NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

CONDENSED.

The Kaiser has visited Emperor Francis Joseph in Vienna.

Sir Edward Carson is to prolong his stay in Ulster.

The Ulster crisis has been discussed both Houses of Parliament.

Liberals accuse the Opposition of seducing the allegiance of the Army.

The situation at Belfast is most calm, bluejackets and Volunteers fraternising.

Mr. Horsfall writes from Melbourne that he will give £20,000 to help Ulster to fight.

Colonel Seely has refused to say whether General Gough has returned to Ireland on terms.

The Cabinet has again met, and Col. Seely left it to visit the King. Ultimately returning.

A fire at Bombay Docks has destroyed 60,000 bales of cotton valued at half a million sterling.

Lord Morley says the order that the resigning officers should rejoin their units is approved by the King.

Sir Marcus Samuel has offered £10,000 to start a fund for families of officers resigning on the Ulster question.

Big numbers of officers have resigned over the Ulster question, but have agreed to go to Ulster if not called upon to fight Loyalists.

NEWS.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon.

Log book appears on page 6 and general news on page 3.

Some interesting facts concerning White Wolf appear on page 3 today.

Professor Salt lectured on the Philippines at the Y.M.C.A. last night.

The seatholders and subscribers to St. John's Cathedral considered the question of an assistant chaplain last night.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Thursday March 26.

Auction of Land at Sowkwan—Messrs. Hughes and Hough noon.

Bandmann Opera Co.—Theatre Royal—9 p.m.

Friday March 27.

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Saturday March 28.

Oxford and Cambridge Dinner, Hongkong Hotel—8 p.m.

Monday March 30.

Ordinary Annual Meeting of shareholders—China Sugar Refining Co. Ltd.—11 a.m.

Ordinary Annual Meeting of shareholders—Luzon Sugar Refining Co. Ltd.—11.15 a.m.

H.K. and Whampoa Dock Company general meeting—noon.

Auction of Crown land at Ngau Shi Wan, P.W.D.—3 p.m.

Tuesday March 31.

H.K. Hoop Manufacturing Co. Ltd., annual general meeting—noon.

H.K. Club, Half Yearly Drawing of 65 Debentures—11 a.m.

H.K. Club, Annual General Meeting—5.15 p.m.

Monday April 6.

H.K. Ice Co. Ltd. meeting—noon.

Friday April 10.

Stainer's "Crucifixion," St. John's Cathedral—9.15 p.m.

Saturday April 11.

1st Gymkhana Meeting.

Present efforts of the English press to force a Johnson-Langford contest are equally ill-considered, and must have an equally undesirable result.

If the holder should succeed in retaining his title we shall be treated to yet more vagaries of the real Johnson brand—possibly, but the case would be even worse from the white man's point of view if Langford should win—a contingency which a good many critics believe probable.

We should have exchanged King Log—for Johnson is willing to remain inert if people will let him—for King Stork, and laid the foundations of a black dynasty of world's champion.

It may be said also that I am advocating a freeze-out of the blacks. I am not; I am simply trying to point out that the world has nothing in particular to gain from a contest between them, and that the sensible and prudent course is not to take sides, but to await developments.

When Johnson is in the frame of mind to box Langford he will do so for what inducement he can manage to squeeze out of the promoter, but the longer he is able to do without fighting the better chance there is of finding a white man to send up against him when this easygoing champion does consent to enter the ring.

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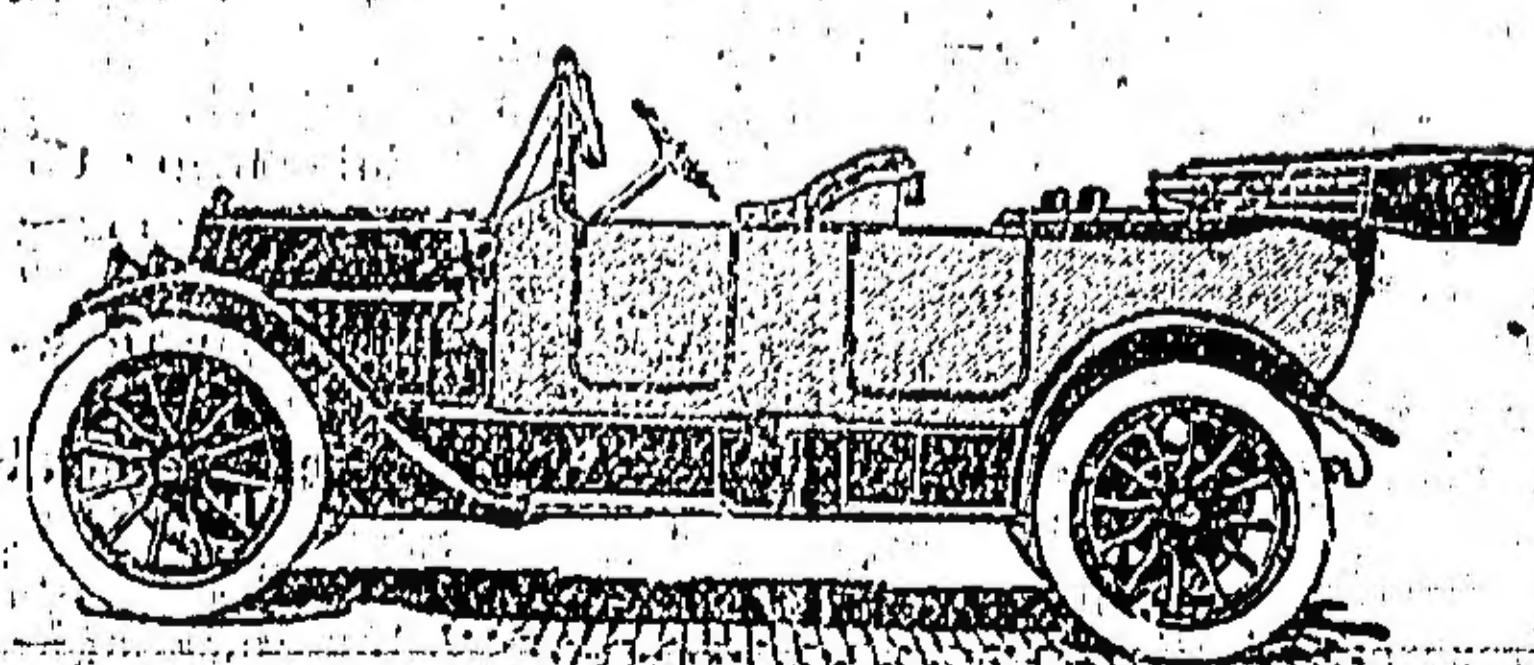
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CONTEMPORARIES.

Daily Press.

The Irish Question.
It is important to bear in mind that if the Referendum test is accepted, and the result were adverse to Home Rule the Government—whether Liberal or Unionist—would still be faced with the "ungovernable Ireland." The latest information regarding the revolt in the Army seems to point to the officers being prepared to do their duty, so far as it concerns the protection of Government property. We sincerely hope they may never be called upon to do more than this and when what is required of the Army is defined in this way and accepted we think events will shape their course to a settlement on the basis of the scheme outlined in Mr. Asquith's recent speech. The Bill will be passed as it stands; Ulster will resist and the Government will meet the difficulty by suspending its operation in Ulster in the hope that the good results which are expected to accrue to the rest of Ireland under Home Rule will be an inducement to Ulster in the course of a few years to come under the Act. There seems no other way out of the difficulty with any prospect of peaceful government in Ireland.

South China Morning Post.

China and the Metric System.
China will undoubtedly some time in the future adopt standards of weights and measures which will be accepted abroad, and although it seems to be a large order to introduce a change into a vast country—the parts of which are remote and the means of communication antiquated—given the necessary legislation and a period for teaching in the schools, aided by the adoption of approved standards by Government departments, the task is by no means impossible of accomplishment. We frequently hear about the unchanging East, but Siam—the Hermit Kingdom—is in process of introducing the metric system province by province; Japan is using the decimal system in many of her departments, notably the Customs, the Army and in medicine, and it is therefore only a question of time until China changes her present heterogeneous mixture of weights and measures to one which will be uniform and which will be intelligible alike to foreign manufacturer and Chinese merchant. Then and not till then will China experience the many blessings which result from increased contact with the outside world.

China Mail.

The Crisis in Ulster.
Judging by the telegrams, the crisis that has arisen in Ulster is not without its serious aspect. Of course, if one were to believe all the rumours that are being put into circulation by certain irresponsible conservative organs, one might be inclined to think that a dreadful civil war were impending. Nothing of the kind will occur: there will be no serious fighting of any sort, unless it be some mob rioting, which is probably inevitable. The Government's military "movements" in Ulster are certainly on a comprehensive scale, but the recent belligerent attitude of certain Ulsterites, recklessly urged on, justify the extent of the preparations. The serious aspect of the situation at present is the fact that certain military officers, apparently more keen as politicians than as soldiers, have notified a wish to resign their commissions. Should they do so, it may be safely predicted that instead of the halo of glory that they probably believe will surround their action, they will unquestionably receive, and shall merit, the contempt of all right-thinking men of the present day, besides the obloquy of posterity. Soldiers are servants of the State, and it is their duty to obey the orders of the Government, without regard to what Party may be in power, what "question" may be at issue, without recourse to their private opinions or even without obeying the dictates of their conscience.

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GENERAL NEWS

A Terror from the East.
A wealthy man named Lee Bond, 23 years of age, who had travelled in Australia, China, and Japan, created a sensation in Hampshire, Dorset, Wiltshire, and Somerset, on February 15 and 16. Armed with a revolver, he compelled a chauffeur to drive him at racing pace through the four counties, to the terror of the people. By discharging the revolver he finally scared off all persons, including the police, who tried to stop him. Eventually he went to his residence at Lyndhurst, where the police subsequently arrested him. After he was discovered with his throat cut in a cell at the lock up.

Office Boy Gets £6 a Week.
Philip Morris, a lad of 16, claims the distinction that he is the highest-paid office boy in America. He is an employee of the Ford Motor-Car Company at Philadelphia, and, under the Ford's profit-sharing scheme, which has just come into effect, he has received just over £6 for a week's wages. Ordinary office boys in the United States, where the cost of living is very high, usually receive a pound a week, but the Ford profit-sharing scheme, or "Ford's philanthropy," provides that where a boy is the sole support of a sick and widowed mother he comes under the pound a day clause. Young Morris has for a year maintained his mother and sister.

The Physically Fit.
Speaking at the annual dinner of the Institute of Sanitary Engineers, Sir William Ramsay raised the question whether the physically unfit should be left to die. The famous scientist surprised his audience by asking whether it was right that these people should be so coddled as they were, and whether, instead of doing too much to prolong the lives of the unfit, it would not be better to let some of them die out.

Chinese Quarters.
St. Petersburg, like San Francisco and New York, has a very big Chinese quarter, which has been growing steadily during the last few years. By order of the Prefect of Police, however, says a correspondent in the Russian capital, the inhabitants of the quarter are now to be evicted from their present homes and scattered in the different districts of the city, where they are to be kept under special surveillance by the sanitary authorities. The chief complaint against the "yellow" quarter is that it is a regular hotbed of disease, and a large number of children who died recently and whose bodies have been examined by the doctors are proved to have been suffering from small-pox.

The Gyroscope.
The interesting series of working models in the Science Museum, South Kensington, has been augmented recently by the addition of a gyroscopic monorail, the invention of M. Pierre Schilowsky. Until now the Science Museum has lacked a model of the monorail or any adequate exhibit showing the commercial possibilities of the gyroscope. M. Schilowsky's invention defies a brief description. Its most striking difference from Mr. Brennan's gyroscopic monorail lies in the fact that equilibrium is maintained for the two hanging cars by a single gyroscope. Mr. Brennan's monorail required two gyroscopes, a matter of importance where weight is concerned. A full-size model with a car capable of accommodating six people is stated to be nearing completion.

What is Tobacco?
A fearsome list of the chemical constituents of tobacco is given by a writer in *Knowledge*. He states: "Nicotine, combined with malic, citric, and other organic acids, is the chief alkaloidal constituent, but small traces of other alkaloids, namely, nicotine, nicotoline, pyrrolidine, and methyl-pyrrolidine have also been detected. Cellulose and calcium pectate, which serve to give stability to most plant structures, are, of course, to be found in tobacco; we are also albuminoids, resins, chlorophyll, phosphobanana, and other complex organic bodies." In addition, calcium, potassium, and magnesium also occur, as well as traces of the salts of other metals and a variety of other acids, saccharine matters, and starch."

MOSQUITOES AND DISEASE.

Interesting Lecture by Major Sir Ronald Ross.

Major Sir Ronald Ross lectured on 23rd ult. before the Institute of Public Hygiene, on "The Prevention of Mosquito-borne Diseases," Sir Felix Simon being in the chair. He outlined briefly the historical researches by which it has been proved that such diseases as malaria, yellow fever, and dengue are carried by the mosquito, and illustrated his lecture partly by cinematograph films and partly by lantern slides. Among the reasons which had led to the disappearance of malaria from England were that the number of mosquitoes had been diminished by improved drainage, that the parasites in man had been largely destroyed by quinine, and also, perhaps, the withdrawal of the window tax, which had made it possible for working men to have glass windows in their houses. There were several factors concerned in the spread of malaria, and if one of these could be eliminated, malaria could be prevented. Sir Ronald Ross deplored the fact the yellow fever parasite had not yet been discovered, and suggested that some man was wanted who would sit down and search for it in the body of the mosquito for five years.

How a City is Taken.
Before he takes a city he has laid his plans carefully. His spies are sent first to gather information and to intrigue with bad characters. They sell trinkets, silk handkerchiefs, make a show at mending crockery, and so forth. Two days before Lao Peh-lang wishes to enter a city, a few dishevelled apes for soldiers go to the yamen, and put up the story that they have been fighting the White Wolf and, beaten back, have rushed to the yamen, and urge the yamen to get ready to defend itself.

White Wolf then appears. He would not be interested in the discussion as to whether city walls should be preserved or not. He does not fear them. He does not need to scale them either. At four a.m., his usual time of attack, he opens fire with a volley at one of the city gates, then gallops off to the opposite gate and goes through the same performances. By this time the inhabitants are trembling, believing that the city is surrounded. With the city in this panic, his allies set fire to the important buildings and the wildest excitement is worked up.

Next the gates are opened to him, and he marches in, the conquering hero, his retinue containing a whole train of captives and many young girls.

Captives on the March.
The writer has recently gathered the following information from a man who was carried off and kept a prisoner in White Wolf's camp for some six weeks. He left his native city with his hands tied back, and later was forced to carry four guns, from two of which he took the broken locks (having been trained in a school for police in Nanking). When asked for a gun at the next town, he handed over a spoiled one, and had to go through a bad time for his enterprise. This is the way White Wolf's captives are made to work; yet on the whole they are treated well.

White Wolf is a voracious traveller, a man who inspires confidence in his men who trust his judgement implicitly. On their return from Liuchow, the pillaging of which has been fully reported, when White Wolf knew the troops were massing on the hillsides, he accomplished 500 li in four days, over terrific roads, never stopping to sleep at all. White Wolf knows the way to get out of a difficulty. He never plans far ahead. He seems to jump at conclusions. His mind is made up in a moment, and he is a man of definite and immediate action.

At a quarter to 4 a start was made against the wind. Garros obtained by lot the right to start first, and Hamel followed a minute later. Both airmen attained a tremendous speed, but in the ninth lap Hamel flew wide in turning, and, seeing that he had lost all chance of winning that round, rose straight into the air and made a magnificent "loop," afterwards descending by a "volplane." The airmen then exchanged their machines—both of them Morane-Saulnier with Gnomes engines—and started on the second round. Gorros was again the winner, beating Hamel's time by four seconds. The third round was consequently unnecessary.

The Wolf's Escape.
One day spies came to White Wolf and said, "There is only one way of escape—to the west. If you do not take it, it will be closed." A battle was imminent. White Wolf took off his clothes and wrapped himself round with

WITH WHITE WOLF IN CAMP.

The Man and His Methods.

The terror of the central provinces, White Wolf, a very prince of brigands, is forty-three years old. He is not much to look at. An ordinary kind of person, short and stout, some say of him that he is quite a decent sort of fellow, and that it is his men who will not obey him. Herein lies the character of the man. He is an arch-deceiver, and he deceives none more than his own men.

For instance, on entering a city, he gives his orders, "Please yourselves"; after leaving the place when the work is done in the way that he intended that it should be done, he gives his men a lecture for being so cruel, and urges them as younger brothers to be more careful in the future. His name in camp is Big Brother.

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The writer has recently gathered the following information from a man who was carried off and kept a prisoner in White Wolf's camp for some six weeks. He left his native city with his hands tied back, and later was forced to carry four guns, from two of which he took the broken locks (having been trained in a school for police in Nanking). When asked for a gun at the next town, he handed over a spoiled one, and had to go through a bad time for his enterprise. This is the way White Wolf's captives are made to work; yet on the whole they are treated well.

White Wolf is a voracious traveller, a man who inspires confidence in his men who trust his judgement implicitly. On their return from Liuchow, the pillaging of which has been fully reported, when White Wolf knew the troops were massing on the hillsides, he accomplished 500 li in four days, over terrific roads, never stopping to sleep at all. White Wolf knows the way to get out of a difficulty. He never plans far ahead. He seems to jump at conclusions. His mind is made up in a moment, and he is a man of definite and immediate action.

At a quarter to 4 a start was made against the wind. Garros obtained by lot the right to start first, and Hamel followed a minute later. Both airmen attained a tremendous speed, but in the ninth lap Hamel flew wide in turning, and, seeing that he had lost all chance of winning that round, rose straight into the air and made a magnificent "loop," afterwards descending by a "volplane." The airmen then exchanged their machines—both of them Morane-Saulnier with Gnomes engines—and started on the second round. Gorros was again the winner, beating Hamel's time by four seconds. The third round was consequently unnecessary.

The Wolf's Escape.
One day spies came to White Wolf and said, "There is only one way of escape—to the west. If you do not take it, it will be closed." A battle was imminent. White Wolf took off his clothes and wrapped himself round with

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cloth, and in the presence of his army said, "I will lead the battle myself." He sent strict injunctions to his outposts, held mostly by nondescripts who were proud of the honour he did them, to hold every inch of their ground at all costs, and "I myself will work round and lead the attack." They believed him, of course, and they fought. But White Wolf worked round the mountains for three days, and then he and his thousands found themselves as free as air. Some of the real Peh Lang troops waited for a bit to help the nondescripts, but returned and joined their leader, as arranged, on a certain day at a certain place. Of course, the Government troops had the glorious victory that Shanghai papers have been reporting.

As the facts were, the White Wolf men came out at a town only ten miles from the main body of Government troops. They have little respect for the regular troops, styling them most contemptuously "dogs."

Those in League.

On March 6 troops were pouring through Kuangchow, and they all admit that they will never catch the Lao Peh-lang. It certainly seems as if they never will.

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The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 1914.

JAPAN AND AN OIL SUPPLY.

It need cause no surprise to learn, from a special cable in our columns yesterday, that Japan wants China to grant her certain oil concessions, in an area outside that of the Standard Oil Company. It was fairly certain that, as matters stand between the two countries at the moment, the concession given to the American Company was bound to create jealousy in Japan, and that alone might have inspired Japan's approach to China on the matter. More probably, however, there is behind Japan's effort to secure an oil concession a deeper and more serious purpose. The question of the oil supply is of her, one of vital import. The recent concession means more than the supply of petroleum for purposes of illumination in the Orient. It touches also the grave question of the supply of oil fuel for men-of-war and merchant vessels, and there is doubtless a fear in Japan—a fear that can be perfectly understood—lest the concession may affect the independence of the Japanese navy.

There is at present an increased and growing demand, in Britain and America, for oil fuel for men-of-war, and, as a result, the supply in the Orient of American and European oil has shown a tendency to decrease of late. With oil-fuel being rapidly taken up by other countries, the supply from these quarters is likely to decrease still further, and this fact must be one of some concern to Japan. She must adopt oil fuel because it is less expensive, generates more heat than coal, admits of much more rapid raising of steam, and is generally better for men-of-war. The question is whether Japan's own supply is equal to the coming demand, and there is reason to believe that it is not. At any rate, we read the other day that the Nippon and Hoden Petroleum Companies are refusing to tender for increased supplies to the navy, and that seems a most significant fact.

In these circumstances it is easy to understand Japan's anxiety to seek a source of supply which shall supplement her own. Naturally she would turn to China for this auxiliary supply, and naturally, too, she must view with considerable misgiving and distrust the grant to an American company. As matters stand between the two countries the situation is difficult and charged with danger, and Hsing Hsi-ling's refusal to admit the likelihood of granting a concession is not calculated to allay the irritation already existing. That refusal, to be sure, was of rather an indefinite character and appears to have been based on a fear that public opinion would be strongly against the granting of another concession. The way is thus left open for Japan to reopen the subject at any time. For her it is of profound importance, and it has a wider interest, which we have remarked, in the possibilities which underlie a final refusal.

The Philippines.

Governor-General Harrison's policy of rigid economy in the Philippines does not appear to be working too well. It will be remembered that he laid down that policy directly after he arrived and that it was followed by what is called in the islands "the Philipinization of the service." Americans have been superseded by Filipinos in many public offices, and there have been many retirements. It is now stated that the collector of internal revenue, instead of obtaining increased receipts for the six months ended December 31, as he had predicted, has experienced a falling-off of Pesos 500,000. It is said that the Customs receipts show an even greater falling-off, and, if that is so, it gives little encouragement to the present Administration. It would seem either that there is business depression, following the new era, or the Philipinization of the service is working badly.

"Hitch in the Sunrise."

It was Mark Twain who went to see the dawn from an Alpine peak and found, it will be remembered, "a little bitch in the sunrise." A similarly annoying experience appears to have attended the Labour party in their arrangements impressively to signalise the arrival of the South African deportees at a British port. Reuter told us something of the matter at the time, but Reuter's cables did not indicate how amusing was the whole situation. The delegates of the Labour Party had made an all-night vigil at the docks and stretched out welcoming hands to the arriving Nine. They had arranged receptions, mass meetings, even dinners at the House of Commons. And the heroes of the hour declined to play their part! They gave in after a few hours of pleading, of course, but the unrehearsed effect upset the stage arrangements and most sorely have tried the Labour party.

Ulster.

Britishers everywhere will regret the latest developments in the Ulster situation. Things appear to be drifting dangerously near a crisis, and unless broad statesmanship is displayed, the worst may be yet to come. We have sufficient faith, however, that British common-sense will find some way out of the impasse; that is, if speakers and writers will refrain from irritating and venomous comment. Nothing is to be gained, and everything endangered, by displays of violent partisanship at this juncture.

Subtle points arise over the reported revolt of Army officers, and no good will be done by making the question the shibboleth of party feeling. If moderation and calmness are demonstrated, the situation should soon compose itself. Wild talking and writing can only inflame public opinion and possibly lead to disastrous results.

The Best Solution.
As we see it, the best possible way out of the quandary is either a General Election or the submission of the Home Rule Bill to a Referendum, as the Unionists suggest. In this manner the question could be definitely settled once and for all. As it is, the Government is working on a very hazy and indefinite "mandate" which they claim to have received from the people. If Ministers are so sure on this point, why are they not willing to bring their submissions to the test? At best, on their own arguing, they would have nothing to lose; while something would surely be gained by getting the matter disposed of on the basis that, whatever the result, it would be acquiesced in. The mere fact that the Government hesitates to take either of the courses suggested must be construed as a weakness of their case.

Corner in Bricks.

There is a rumour in Singapore that some ingenious Chinese has successfully brought off a corner in bricks by a forward purchase of the ordinary output of the local brickworks. It is understood that this will seriously inconvenience building contractors, who have in hand just now a considerable amount of work, including the erection of the new Chartered Bank and the Whiteaway Lairdaw premises.

DAY BY DAY.

IF YOU ARE NOT A THINKING MAN TO WHAT PURPOSE ARE YOU A MAN AT ALL?—Coleridge.

The Mail.

French Mail.—Left per s.s. Australia at 1 p.m. to-day.
Siberian Mail.—Left per s.s. Anatique at 5 a.m. to-day.
English Mail.—Due per s.s. Arcadia at 8 a.m. to-morrow.
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Australian Mail.—Closes per s.s. Changsha at 9 a.m. to-morrow.
Siberian Mail.—Closes per s.s. Arcadia at 5 p.m. to-morrow.
Sailing Postponed.

The sailing of the Pacific Mail steamer Manchuria for America has been postponed to Thursday next, instead of to-morrow.

Gamblers Fined.

At the Police Court, this morning, nine gamblers were punished; the first defendant was fined \$25 and the remainder \$3 each.

Shield Final.

The Football Shield final is to be played off on the ground of the Hongkong Football Club at Happy Valley on Saturday at 4 p.m.

Watchman's Loss.

A Chinese watchman living at St. Joseph's House has complained to the Police of the theft from his quarters of four articles of clothing valued at \$16.

Printing Lottery Tickets.

The two Chinese who were charged recently with printing lottery tickets in Queen's Road Central, were fined \$200 and \$100 respectively, at the Police Court, this morning.

Silk Delivered.

The T. K. K. Yokohama office is in receipt of wireless communication to the effect that the silk despatched hence per s.s. "Shinyo Maru" on February 13, was delivered in New York on the 18th instant.

Injuries to the Head.

Chun Ki Wan, a Chinese, has been sent to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries to the head, alleged to have been inflicted by another man who is in Police custody.

Using old Stamps.

Four Chinese were fined twenty-five dollars each this morning at the Police Court for using old stamps for the purpose of giving receipts, and two others were ordered to pay ten dollars each for using two cent stamps instead of the usual five cents.

Latest Advertisements.

Consignees' notices concerning the Satsuma, the Amazone and the Kioto are issued.—Page 5.

Messrs. Hughes and Hough are selling by auction on the 31st inst. Government stores, at the A.O. Stores.—Page 5.

Mr. E. J. Noronha has been admitted a partner in the firm of Noronha and Co.—Page 5.

A young European advertises for an appointment.—Page 5.

The Football Shield final takes place on Saturday.—Page 5.

The s.s. Japan leaves for Straits and Calcutta on the 27th inst.—Page 5.

Fancy Dress Dance.

The "Scorpions" brought a most successful season to a close with a fancy dress dance at the City Hall last night. There was a big attendance of members and friends, and some of the costumes worn were extremely effective.

The programme of twelve dances and four "extras" was admirably chosen, and dancing was kept up by a happy party until early morning. During the evening the members' appreciation of the services of Mr. M. D. Silas as Hon. Secretary was voiced by Mr. R. L. Bridger, and Mr. Silas made an appropriate response.

ALLEGED FORGERY.

At the Police Court, this morning, Mr. J. R. Wood had before him again the Chinese who was charged with forging a signature for the purpose of procuring a girl from the Po Leung-kuk.

Mr. A. E. Wood, chief secretary to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, prosecuted and Mr. Russ, of Messrs. Goldring and Russ, defended.

It was suggested at the first hearing that the forgery would mean a loss to the Government of \$250.

The person whose name was affixed, denied giving permission to the prisoner to sign his name. The case was again remanded up to date.

CONTROL OF TRUSTS.

Interesting Ideas on Limitation of Profits.

The Mail.

The question of the control of Trusts is becoming large in American politics just now. For that reason some well-defined ideas expressed to the Telegraph by a citizen. Mr. Chase S. Osborn, Ex-Governor of Michigan, on the subject should be read with interest.

"I have my own ideas on the regulation of big businesses," he said. "I believe that in America there must be big aggregations of capital and of labour and of genius. These are three factors which move the world. And you must have these big aggregations in England and in Germany also if you are going to compete one with another. Big business is a good thing if controlled by the country and a bad thing if it controls the country. Big businesses simply means that the people who are served by those businesses are to be served by those most efficient to serve. As a consequence, the inefficient must be crowded out, and that surely is not a bad thing. If the inefficient of the world everywhere are permitted to gather together and form monopolies without restraint, then, because of the weakness of mankind, they cannot be controlled. An artificial entity has no soul. Nevertheless, it has capital and it is extremely efficient.

"The thing is," said Mr. Osborn, to protect the public from the rapacity and the greed of these extremely efficient entities if we want them to serve us. How are we going to do that? We have made many attempts in America but have not succeeded very well; we have not been as successful in Germany in some respects. My idea is to limit the profit that may be made by a Corporation and I distinguish between a Corporation and an individual. The way to prevent over-charging is to limit the profit; and I would classify businesses as to the hazard of doing business, just as lives are classified actuarially. We know the risks of various businesses. I would have one rate of earning for businesses with lesser risk, and as the businesses have greater risks I would have them earn more, so that the businesses with the greater risks might furnish for themselves a sinking fund against contingencies which are always liable to arise. I would limit the earnings to a reasonable profit, which would reflect itself in a reasonable charge for services rendered, giving capital its due return to which it is entitled in that service.

At the present time some Corporations are getting far too much; but if you limit the profit to a reasonable charge, that charge must be sufficient to make business worth while, and there must be no molestation. There is nothing more destructive of business than too much interference. Business should be given its legitimate share of profit, but nothing more. Certain businesses might be permitted to make 10 per cent. on their legitimate capitalisation; other business, other rates. It would be all a matter of the risks of the particular business. We have the machinery in America to do the work and so have other countries as well. The great point is that if businesses were only permitted to make a certain profit, there would no longer be any incentive to make over-charges, because an over-charge could not result in over-profit. Then higher wages could be paid to the working man, who could have better conditions of labour, and there would be happier relationship between employer and employee and the scheme would reflect itself in a lower cost of living, for what is now absorbed in huge profits would be distributed over the producing classes."

SUSPECTED CHOLERA.

Another Chinese aged about 23 years suspected to be suffering from Cholera, has been sent to the Isolation Hospital, Kennedy Town, from the Junks on which have been placed the Asiatic Passengers of the s.s. "Osang." No further deaths have been reported up to date.

THE ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN.

St. John's Cathedral C.E.M.S. Scheme.

Yesterday evening, at the City Hall, a general meeting of shareholders, and subscribers to St. John's Cathedral was held for the purpose of considering a scheme for raising the balance of a stipend for an Assistant Chaplain to the Cathedral. The Bishop of Victoria occupied the chair and there were also present H.E. the Governor, the Hon. Mr. C. Severn, the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., the Hon. Mr. D. Landale, Mr. N. G. Stabb, the Ven. Archdeacon Barnett, Sir C. P. Chater, the Rev. V. D. C. Moyle, Mr. W. L. Patenden, and others.

The Chairman said that the business of the meeting was confined to one subject, namely the question of providing an Assistant Chaplain to the Cathedral. It would be within the recollection of many that there had been two chaplains certainly during two periods, when the Rev. Mr. Cobbold had the assistance of the Rev. Mr. Johnston, and when he, in turn, had the assistance of the Rev. Mr. Thorhill. When Mr. Thorhill left, no successor was appointed, because the Church Body thought there was not sufficient funds. In 1912, after Mr. Moyle arrived, a large sum of money was subscribed to provide for an Assistant Chaplain; and it was resolved that that money should be regarded as capital and the interest only should be available for the purpose of providing an Assistant Chaplain. So the Church Body voted a sum of £100 and agreed to arrange for the services of a clergyman for part time.

C.E.M.S. Scheme.

He, the Chairman was satisfied with the proposal and was willing to do his best to get a man to live in St Paul's College and give his services in the Cathedral, but Mr. Moyle hoped for a full time assistant. The Church of England Men's Society were willing to do what they could to raise the funds and recently the Church Body without rescinding their former resolution expressed their approval of the scheme which the C.E.M.S. had proposed. He would like to make it quite plain that there were no conditions attached to the scheme as to the selection of a man. It was the business of the Church Body to select a chaplain and assistant chaplain and the C.E.M.S. were good enough to provide the money and place it at the disposal of the Church Body.

Visiting Difficult.

The Rev. V. H. C. Moyle pointed out that he did not primarily require help on Sundays. The scheme suggested of a part-time man was that he should give his services on Sunday, but what he had felt was that an Assistant Chaplain was required during the week. Visiting, the speaker pointed out, was particularly difficult here; the distances were very great and one could spend a whole afternoon in making two calls if one were at West Point, and the other at East Point. He also wanted assistance for classes and guilds in connection with the Cathedral. There were very few of these and he found it very difficult to start anything new. The speaker drew attention to the Hospitals and Gaol which he had to visit, and the point he made was that the work of the Cathedral was not Sunday work, but the work of the week, and he pointed out that his request for an Assistant Chaplain was not that he might do less work, but that better work might be done than had been in the past.

A Misunderstanding.

The Hon. Mr. Claude Severn said that when the annual meeting of the Church Body was adjourned on the motion of H. E. the Governor the idea was that shareholders, and subscribers to St. John's Cathedral should have an opportunity of studying their very simple scheme. Also it was suggested that those members of the C.E.M.S. who would make themselves responsible for the collection of the subscription, might have an opportunity of seeing what response they would get from the members of the Church of England in Hongkong. Owing to some extraordinary misunderstanding, the printed form which

HONGKONG AND CAPE TOWN.

Rivals in "Silhouetted Picturesqueness"

"There is no place more distinctive in natural grandeur than Hongkong, unless it be Capetown." So said the Hon. Mr. Chase S. Osborn, former Governor of Michigan, just before his departure from the colony on the resumption of his world-tour. "Rio de Janeiro is different; so are Sydney and San Francisco; hence they cannot really be compared with Hongkong. Your rival for silhouetted picturesqueness—the thing which comes quickly to the eye as a memory—is Capetown. I always carry about in my mind two pictures—the Table Mountain and the towering peaks of your lovely island. One has not a sufficient vocabulary to over-praise Hongkong. Its art and beauty are the art and beauty of Nature; you cannot exaggerate that at all. Hongkong is one

NINE YEARS
AFTERWARDS.Prisoner Discharged in
Murder Case.

Sitting in Criminal Jurisdiction at the Supreme Court, this morning, the Puisne Judge (Mr. H. H. J. Gompton) continued the hearing of a charge of murder preferred by the Crown Solicitor (Mr. Kemp) against Chu Loi, alias Chu Tsui, the victim being Sing-Wing, at Wong-Nai-ku on March 14th, 1905.

Mr. Alabaster, instructed by Mr. Crowther Smith, defended. The jury was empanelled as follows:—Messrs. G. A. Diss (foreman), A. J. Hassan, A. J. C. da Silva, J. F. Miller, A. W. Heron, A. G. Miller and J. M. P. Tavares.

Evidence for the defence was called by Mr. Alabaster.

A contractor said he knew the defendant. He worked for witness in the tenth moon of last year. He had worked in the name of Chu Loi and was entered on witness' books in that name.

A farmer who had never been in Hongkong before, or ever left his native village, said he had known the defendant since witness was a boy, several tens of years ago. Defendant left the village in the ninth moon of last year. Defendant left on account of the floods ruining the crops and he took his wife with him, with the intention of going abroad. He got a mortgage on his house for several tens of dollars.

By the Crown Solicitor:—Defendant was a clansman of his. They were uncle and nephew. There were about a hundred houses in the village. The village was near Tam Tsui. The defendant had no business.

Mr. Alabaster said that the prisoner had told them that he had been at Kowloon side since the ninth moon of last year. He had called the employer, and contractor, and the learned Crown Solicitor asked the contractor no questions, so that evidence stood absolutely. There seemed to be no question that this man had been living with his family in a house, the number of which he had given, since the ninth moon of last year. Could they believe that these people did not know him? From the first week he was there expecting to go on before taking a house and then he lived in a vegetable garden. Did they believe they did not know the gardeners in the neighbourhood? The learned Crown Solicitor suggested that the story might be believed if he only referred to Lan Kee and Shung Chu, but because one witness said he was employed last year by the Military Authorities and there was no corroborative evidence on the point, therefore they could not give it. What was he employed as? A nightsoil coolie, but did he sit in the barracks with the nightsoil all day long? They knew perfectly well that all these nightsoil coolies did not carry nightsoil in the day time. They knew that he had been working for half of the last fourteen years at Wong Nai-ku, as a gardener. He called himself a gardener and was it likely he would carry his nightsoil at night when he had been working there in the gardens in the day time? The prisoner had told them that he had a quarrel with these people whom he knew quite well and had been on friendly terms with. He knew them by name and he would have as little difficulty in picking them out as they had in picking him out, because they had known each other for months. He had also told them that until last year he had never been in the neighbourhood and his evidence was confirmed by a witness from the country who had come down sent for, of course—to give evidence that the man was not a wanderer, but had lived in his family house in the country all his life. He was a married man, the head of a family, over fifty years of age, and to cause he lost his money in the farming business through the floods he sold his house for a few tens of dollars and it went away in doctors' fees. He came to that neighbourhood and his wife took him to that neighbourhood and he got to know the people in the neighbourhood. His wife's

CANTON NEWS.

Railway in the Eastern Suburb.
(From Our Own Correspondent.)
Canton, March 20.

A proposal has been made by a merchant for the construction of a new railway in the Eastern Suburb for transporting passengers and goods from the villages to the Canton-Kowloon Railway and the Fruit Market. The plan of the railway line has been drawn up. The sections will be (1) from East Parade-Ground to Yin-Tong; (2) from Tung Mun to Sai Chin; (3) from Tung Mun to Chin Loong Hon; (4) from Yin Tong to Sam Po Tin. The chief station will be in the East Parade Ground. The fare for each passenger will be ten cent for one section.

Machinery for Melting

Silver Bars.

In view of the insufficiency of machinery for melting silver bars, the Director of the mint has ordered more machines from two foreign firms.

Subsidiary Silver Coins.

The Government of Canton has already prohibited people carrying out of Canton the sum of over fifty dollars in silver coins. But this order has been neglected by most people. Yesterday two persons, Luk Kin and Wong Ching, were arrested for being in possession of \$400 and \$250 in silver coins, respectively.

Canton, March 22.

Chinese Copper Cents.

The prices of Chinese copper cents have risen very much recently. The reason is that most of the copper cents have been taken to the districts and there are few of them in Canton. Moreover the mint has stopped making such coins.

Births and Deaths.

The Chief of Police has ordered his subordinate officers to investigate and report on births and deaths. The deaths, whether caused by infectious or other diseases, are to be clearly stated in the report. Great attention is to be paid to deaths caused by infectious diseases. The date and the time at which a person dies is to be indicated.

Subsidiary coins.

Owing to the fact that the Chinese subsidiary silver coins are not accepted in Hongkong, the Hongkong 10 cent pieces in Canton are becoming scarcer and scarcer every day. The reason is that most of them are brought back to Hongkong. It is said that the premium for the exchange of Hongkong 10 cent pieces is 5 cents for one dollar. For convenience the market has now begun using the Chinese 10 cent pieces. In order to provide a large supply of such subsidiary silver coins the Mint is continually making them and a multitude of them has been made.

THE PEAK TIGER.

A plaster cast of the pugs of the tiger has been taken by Mr. Holycan on an afforestation path at Pokfulum and is on show in the window of Messrs. L. & Co., Crawford and Company.

relations lived there and that was why he went to live there. Could they believe for one single moment that there was any truth in the story that he went to live with friends of the very person he had shot; the only exception being that he was a Hakka, the deceased was Pun, and like all Puntes they were afraid of the Hakkas, particularly as the Hakkas were not above carrying arms, and they knew when they quarrelled with him that the best thing to get him out of the way was to identify him with the man who committed this murder some nine years ago. This they were unable to do until a few days ago although they had been seeing the man every day. Everyone told the same story of dark nights, the night in question being so dark that notwithstanding their lamps they stumbled over a pig in the road. That story was ridiculous and he begged them most earnestly to find a verdict of not guilty, remembering particularly, notwithstanding the fact that he had proved where this man was nine years ago, it was for the Crown to prove his guilt and not for him to prove his innocence.

The Jury returned a verdict of not guilty and the prisoner was discharged.

BANDMANN OPERA COMPANY.

Interesting venir of the Company.

A copy of an interesting supplement to Society Illustrated has been handed to us for notice. It deals wholly with the Bandmann Opera Company and is a most creditable production. There are photographs of all the leading

members of the company and one showing the company as a whole. These are finely executed, the likenesses being wonderfully clear. Lengthy notice on the various productions of the Company are also given and are distinctly helpful. Altogether the supplement is a work of art and should be secured and preserved by all who propose to see the company perform, at least once—and who does not?

It is now on sale at Messrs. Moutrie's.

The company is due to arrive to-morrow and to open on Thursday evening. The plans are now open at Messrs. Moutrie's.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C. P. R. s.s. EMPEROR OF ASIA left Vancouver on the 20th instant.

The American & Manchurian Line's KAFUE arrived at Boston on the 20th March.

BARBERLINE OF STEAMERS

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "SATSUMA"

FROM NEW YORK. CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 28th inst., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signor on or before the 25th prox., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th inst., at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remained unclaimed after 28th inst., at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 30th inst. or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on 28th instant at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on Monday, 30th inst., at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within FIFTEEN DAYS of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

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Kanagawa Maru.....MONDAY,

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Rangoon Maru.....FRIDAY,

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KOBE & Yokohama.....TUESDAY

Capt. Sommer T. 16,000 (Mar. at 11 a.m.

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The S.S. Vladimir, 5,620 R.T., Commander Kainichansky, is expected to arrive here about the end of March, or beginning of April, 1914.

Outward Bound.

(Vladivostok via Nagasaki.)

The S.S. Yaroslav, 4,494 R.T., Commander Lokhmatoff, is expected to arrive here about the 21st day of March, 1914.

N.B.—This outward steamer on the way to Nagasaki, and Vladivostok will call at Hongkong if the room permits.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH EXTRA

HONGKONG TUESDAY MARCH 24, 1914

TELEGRAMS.

THE ULSTER CRISIS.

PARLIAMENT EXCITED.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph," London. Received March 24.]

The House of Commons was crowded and excited on the occasion of the debate on the Ulster question. Mr. Asquith, Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. Bonar Law and Mr. Balfour, were given ovations on entering the House.

Colonel Seely, in the course of a statement, said some officers informed General Paget that they could not serve in certain eventualities. There had been a misunderstanding and these officers had been ordered to rejoin their units. The movement of troops in Ulster was solely to protect arms and ammunition.

Mr. Bonar Law insisted on an opportunity of discussing the position.

Mr. Asquith assented.

"Bolt from the Blue." Mr. Bonar Law affirmed that the danger of the Army being destroyed before their eyes came on the Government like a bolt from the blue. Nothing could save the Army now except a clear declaration that the officers of the Navy and Army would not be compelled to engage in civil war against their wish. He declared most emphatically that the Government was attempting to coerce a portion of the United Kingdom without the authority of the electorate.

Intimidation. Mr. Bonar Law read a statement from General Paget to the officers that if active operations were to commence against Ulster, the country would be ablaze by Saturday. Mr. Bonar Law accused the Cabinet of moving troops in order to provoke or intimidate Ulster, and asked whether General Gough had been reinstated. He demanded to know the instructions given to General Paget.

Continuing, Mr. Bonar Law maintained that General Paget did not agree with Mr. Asquith that the Government was only taking precautionary measures, but thought they were going to conquer Ulster. He affirmed that he completely accepted Mr. Asquith's own good faith, but he believed, without Mr. Asquith's knowledge, some of his colleagues had made these movements of the troops part of a concerted plan against Ulster.

PLAQUE RETURN.

The plague return for the week ending March 21 states that one European has contracted the disease, and 63 Chinese. The European case has not been returned as fatal but in the case of the Chinese forty-two have died. Of two Japanese cases that are reported one has proved fatal. The total number of cases reported from January 1 to date are:—1 European, 217 Chinese, 4 other Asiatics, making a total of 222. Of these, one case of 173 Chinese, English; one case of have never been Chinese, which was fatal; one Indian case of Paratyphoid, one of puerperal fever, Chinese; and nine cases of smallpox, all Chinese, with eight deaths.

Amsterdam Shipping. The growth of British shipping interests at the port of Amsterdam is eloquently demonstrated by the fact that the gross tonnage of ships belonging to the Ocean Steamship Company, Limited (Nedlandsche Stoomvaart Maatschappij Oceaan), and the China Mutual Steam Navigation Company, Limited, increased from 327,532 gross tons for 82 ships in 1913 to 462,276 tons for 85 ships in 1914.

THE STABBING AFFRAY.

Lenient View Taken of. Nile Affair.

This afternoon in the Police Court, before Mr. F. A. Hazelton, J. Fremont Chamberlain, 46, of America, and a butcher by trade, was charged with unlawfully cutting and wounding one Gust Anderson, carpenter on board the s.s. Nile in Victoria Harbour on March 20.

Inspector Gordon was in charge of the case.

The Magistrate, to the defendant: You pleaded guilty the other day before another magistrate; do you still plead guilty to the charge?

The Defendant:—I do; self defence.

Inspector Gordon said that about midnight on March 19 the defendant and complainant along with two others were playing cards in one of the saloons on the s.s. Nile. The complainant, from the evidence, was apparently under the influence of drink. There was a quarrel about some money matters at the table, and they stopped playing. Defendant went to his room and was followed by the complainant who pulled him out of his bunk. Some friends took the complainant away but he returned again and pressed him down into his bunk. The defendant had apparently a small pocket knife with him and he must have turned and stabbed the complainant in the chest. Complainant was sent to hospital in the morning, but since had been discharged and had resumed work.

His Worship:—It is very clear there was great provocation in this case and I am disposed to take that into consideration. There is a doctor's bill: can you pay that? I don't know how much it is, or will your friends pay it?

The Defendant:—I will try, Sir.

Inspector Gordon:—I very much question if there will be a doctor's bill sent in. Dr Jordan might send one in; it might be sent to the complainant or to the company. If it were sent to the complainant, it would be up to him to pay it and if to the Company, the Company would pay it. The company guarantee hospital expenses. I understand.

His Worship:—Taking into consideration that there was very great provocation in this case, I think justice will be satisfied by my ordering you to pay \$25 or one month's hard labour.

PUBLIC HOUSE SIGNS.

Disappearance of Quaint Signs.

Specimens of public signs are in the course of extinction. Many of the names are peculiar. The "Freetrader" is to disappear from Woolwich and the "Cobden Tavern" from Kensalton. The "Comical Fellows" are suppressed at Camberwell. The "Hampshire Hog" is closed in the West End and the "True Friends" cannot be met with any more in Whitechapel.

Other disappearances are the "Log and Partridge" in Bow, the "Chequers and Greenland Fishery," Shadwell, and the "Queen's Landing" in the same district. "Fubb's Yacht" leaves Greenwich.

Though these quaint signs may disappear there are many left to console lovers of the archaic. The "Antigallican" stands in Tooley-street to remind us of the fierce hatred of Bonaparte 100 years ago. Garibaldi has two houses to commemorate his powers.

SHANGHAI SUICIDE.

Former Hongkong Man Shoots Himself.

The Municipal Police were yesterday morning apprised of a very tragic occurrence in the Savoy Hotel, Broadway, says the *N. C. Daily News* of March 20. For the three days previous, the guests of the hotel had included Mr. G. Petersen, a German, and shortly after six o'clock he was found to have inflicted a wound upon himself which subsequently proved fatal.

The hotel staff found Mr. Petersen lying on the floor of his room with a bullet wound in the right temple, while beside him was a Browning automatic pistol with which it was only too apparent that he had shot himself. At the time of the discovery Mr. Petersen was still alive, and Mr. C. A. Biddle, manager of the hotel, at once communicated with the police. The latter summoned Dr. Murray, who pronounced Mr. Petersen's condition to be critical and ordered his removal to the General Hospital. Here at 8.30 a.m. death supervened.

The German Consular authorities had been informed of the affair, and Dr. Ney viewed the body and made the usual inquiries. No inquest was held, the consular authorities being clear on the point that the fatal wound was self-inflicted, evidently while the deceased was in a condition of temporary insanity. The body has now been removed to the Mortuary.

Mr. Peterson, who was thirty-five years of age, was a native of Flensburg, Germany, and had come to the East some eight years ago. For some six years he had been employed with Messrs. Jebens & Co. in Hongkong, and had then gone Home for five months on sick leave. Upon his return he was again with Messrs. Jebens, until in fact a few months ago, when he came to Shanghai. He had a shipmaster's certificate, and joined the Customs service as second mate of the revenue cruiser Liuhsing. Here he remained for some two months, and was then transferred into the Coast Inspector's office, but after being here for a few days he resigned. Up to three or four days ago he had been living in a boarding house in North Szechuan Road, and had then gone to the Savoy Hotel. It is stated that just prior to his death his conduct had been giving his friends some uneasiness.

Hercules, the Hero and General, a variety dear to representatives there are:—

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Maid and Magpie, Swan and Sugar Loaf.

As merely quaint may be mentioned:—

Adam and Eve, Hat and Tun, Angel and Trumpet, Hoop and Toy.

Bag of Nails, Lamb and Flag, Barking Dogs, Man in the Moon, Bell and Horns, Moonrakers.

Blackamoors Head, Noah's Ark, Bull and Anchor, Old Parr's Head.

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MANILA	Loongsang	Sat., 28th Mar. at 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Hangsang	Tues., 31st Mar. at d'light
S'HAI, Kobe & Moji	Kutsang	Tues., 31st Mar. at 2 p.m.
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Odesa via Port of Call	Maita	P. & O.	1, Apr.
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T're, Flume V'ce, via S'pore, &c.	Austria	S. W. Co.	6, Apr.
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Marsailles, Antwerp, R'dam	Bayer	H. A. L.	23, Apr.
Bremen, Hamburg	Lothringen	N. D. L.	M. of B.
Havre, Emden & H'burg/B'mon	Thueringen	N. D. L.	B. of May
Havre, Hamburg	Brigavia	H. A. L.	6, May
Marsailles via Ports	Dumbea	M. M.	19, May
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R. Dollar	R. D. Co.	31, Mar.
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Mexico M.	O. S. K.	1, Apr.
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New York	D. L. Co.	4, Apr.
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AUSTRALIA.

Changsha	B. & S.	25, Mar.
T'ango M.	N. Y. K.	8, Apr.
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SINGAPORE, COAST PORTS AND JAPAN

Arcadia	P. & O.	25, Mar.
Kaijo M.	O. S. K.	23, Mar.
Japan	D. S. Co.	25, Mar.
Mishima M.	N. Y. K.	26, Mar.
Kusichow	B. & S.	26, Mar.
Luchow	B. & S.	26, Mar.
Thongwa	D. S. & Co.	26, Mar.
Dunera	D. S. Co.	27, Mar.
Haitan	D. L. Co.	27, Mar.
Jelunga	J. M. C.	27, Mar.
Rangoon M.	N. Y. K.	27, Mar.
Chen n	B. & S.	28, Mar.
Loonggang	J. M. Co.	28, Mar.
P. Sigismund	M. & Co.	31, Mar.
Kutsang	J. M. Co.	31, Mar.
Taming	J. M. Co.	31, Mar.
Tjimanoek	B. & S.	31, Mar.
Koerber	J. C. J. L.	1, Apr.
Brisgavia	H. A. L.	1, Apr.
Pe sia	S. W.	2, Apr.
Achui	B. & S.	2, Apr.
Namsang	J. M. Co.	3, Apr.
Prinzess A.	P. & O.	3, Apr.
Uckermark	J. M. Co.	4, Apr.
Paul Leont	H. A. L.	5, Apr.
Java M.	O. S. K.	5, Apr.
Borneo	M. Co.	9, Apr.
Japan	A. N. Co.	12, Apr.
Torilla	D. S. Co.	18, Apr.
Altmark	H. A. L.	7, Apr.
W'berg	H. A. L.	1, May
Furst Bulow	H. A. L.	1, May
Sogovia	H. A. L.	1, May
Emden	H. A. L.	21, May
Sambia	H. A. L.	21, May
Frisia	H. A. L.	21, May
Silesia	H. A. L.	18, June
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THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, the 25th March, 1914, commencing at 11 a.m. at Imperial Hotel, No. 63, Des Vaux Road Central, A Quantity of Bar Furniture and Fixtures. Terms:—Cash on delivery. GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from John Arnold Esq., to sell by Public Auction on SATURDAY, the 28th March, 1914, commencing at 2.30 p.m. At his residence No. 3 The Albany (Albany Road) The Whole of His Valuable Household Furniture comprising:

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BY ORDER OF THE EXECUTOR of the

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Public Auction.

G. P. LAMMERT.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 30th day of March, 1914, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Bowen Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from the 20th day of November, 1899, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Site	Boundary Measurements (Approximate)	Locality	Concav. in feet	Annual Rent. per year	Up't Price.
1	feet	feet	feet	feet	feet
Total	feet	feet	feet	feet	feet
South of Bowen Road					
North of Bowen Road					

G. P. LAMMERT.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 30th day of March, 1914, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Ngau Shi Wan in the New Territories of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st day of July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less 3 days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Site	Boundary Measurements (Approximate)	Locality	Concav. in feet	Annual Rent. per year	Up't Price.
1	feet	feet	feet	feet	feet
New Kowloon Is and New Tsui Sin Wan					
South Tsui Sin Wan					

Consignee

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
GENERAL AVERAGE.

S.S. "MANCHURIA." The above mentioned vessel having arrived consignees of cargo are hereby notified that owing to the s.s. "Manchuria" striking ground on or about March 6th, 1914, when leaving Nagasaki, a General Average has been declared and before delivery of cargo can be given the General Average Fund must be duly executed, a deposit of 5% of the invoice value of the goods paid, and valuation statements and copies of invoices furnished.

Cargo will be landed immediately into the Company's godowns at West Point, and consignees are further notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of all damaged cargo.

Cargo remaining undelivered on Monday, March 23, 1914, at noon will be subject to landing and storage charges.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

All damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's godowns immediately after completion of discharge.

No claims against cargo loaded on board will be entertained unless accompanied by a short delivery note or list of exceptions taken at the time of delivery to consignees and signed for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co. and no claims will be allowed in General Average unless accompanied by certificate signed for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co.

All claims must be filed on or before April 16, 1914, otherwise they will not be recognized. R. C. MORISON, Agent, Hongkong, 18th Mar. 1914. [1221]

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The above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on Monday, March 23rd March at noon will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No claim will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered on Saturday 28th March, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo to be left on board or Godown and examination of same to be held on Monday 30th March.

All Claims must be filed on or before Saturday 4th April 1914, otherwise they will not be recognised.

S. MORIMOTO, Agent, Hongkong, 21st March 1914.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship "GERNIS," having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuable, are being landed and stored at their risk, into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation received from the Consignees before noon to-day requesting it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd of April, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 25th of March, at 11 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 2nd of April, 1914, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

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Rubber Output.
The output of rubber from the Middle East for 1914 is calculated by the India Rubber Council at 63,860 tons. The increase over 1913 is put at the equivalent of 25,000 tons of wild rubber, the reduction in which is estimated at 15,000 tons. This gives a net increase of 10,000 tons, and if 10 per cent. is taken as the normal increase in consumption, there would appear to be every indication of a shortage in supplies during the current year, even when allowance is made for the usual substitutes and reclaimed rubber.

Lead Mines in Yunnan.
Civil Governor Li of Yunnan has telegraphically reported to the Government stating that the exploitation of the lead mines in the Koochin district is daily becoming more successful and the majority of the lead mining companies in his province had obtained their permits during the reign of the Ching Dynasty.

With a view to improving the mining industry, which is now a matter of necessity, these companies should be distinguished from others. The Civil Governor has requested that he be allowed to make personal investigation into the condition of these mines.

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Optical Cargo will be forwarded on unless information is received from the Consignees before noon to-day requesting it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 25th of March, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th of March, at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 1st of April, 1914, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELOCHE'S & CO.

General Agents.

Hongkong, 18th Mar. 1914. [1182]

Public Companies

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THE Thirty-Third Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the General Managers at 12 noon on Monday, 6th April to receive a Statement of the Company's Accounts to 31st December, 1913, and the Report of the General Managers.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 26th instant to 6th prox. both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON
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General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd Mar. 1914.

Public Companies

THE HONGKONG ROPE
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THE 30TH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on Tuesday, the 31st March, 1914, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1913, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, the 26th March to Tuesday, the 31st March, 1914, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1914.

Public Companies

THE CHINA FIRE INSUR-
ANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of \$7.00 and BONUS of \$3.00 per Share declared at the Forty-Fifth Meeting of Shareholders held this day will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after FRIDAY, the 20th March, 1914.

Shareholders are requested to apply to the office of the Company for warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

C. PEMBERTON
Secretary.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING
CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

THE Thirty-Sixth Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on MONDAY, the 30th March at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1913.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to 30th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON
& CO. LTD.,
General Agents,

Hongkong, 10th March, 1914.

LUZON SUGAR REFINING
CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

THE Thirty-Second Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on MONDAY, the 30th March at 11.15 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1913.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to 30th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON &
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Hongkong, 10th March, 1914.

THE HONGKONG & WHAM-
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THE ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of SHARE-

SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the office of the Company, 2 Queen's Buildings, Connaught Road, Hongkong, on Monday, 30th March, at 12 o'clock (noon) for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1913.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd to 30th March, 1914, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

GEO. A. CALDWELL
Secretary.

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REDUCTION OF CAPITAL

Application by Messrs Gande Price and Company.

Before Sir William Rees Davies (Chief Justice) at the Supreme Court this morning, Mr. F. C. Jenkin instructed by Mr. Reader Harris, of Messrs Wilkinson and Grist, made an application for the reduction of the capital of Messrs Gande Price and Company by the cancellation of 3,195 shares at \$10 each, being the shares returned by Messrs Gande and Company of Shanghai to the petitioning Company upon the re-transfer by the petitioning Company to Messrs Gande and Company of their Shanghai branch.

Mr. Jenkin said this was an application by the Company of Gande Price under section 48 of the Companies Ordinance asking his Lordship to confirm the reduction of the capital. The petition was dated October 30. He did not know if his Lordship had read it or not, but this case had been before his Lordship on three occasions in Chambers for directions. Counsel then read the petition. There were numerous formalities to be gone through and he could refer him to the certificate of the Registrar of Companies showing that all the formalities had been complied with and from Mr. Reader Harris, to the same effect. The notice had been advertised as open to inspection at the offices of the Company's solicitors. Everything was in order.

His Lordship: Who is Chan Kai-ming on the petition?

Mr. Jenkin: Director of the company.

Counsel said the creditors of the company had been paid off or had signed in writing and there was an affidavit filed by Mr. Reader Harris to the effect that all the requirements of the Ordinance had been complied with.

His Lordship: All has been carried out?

Mr. Jenkin: Yes.

His Lordship: The order for reduction is confirmed.

ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:

A. V. Apcar & Co. \$25

Johnson Stokes & Master... 25

Moxon and Taylor ... 25

Shewan Tomes & Co. ... 25

Wilkinson Heywood and Clark ... 25

F. Bornemann ... 20

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Wm. Powell & Co. ... 15

Pattell & Co. 15

J. R. Mechall & Co. ... 15

Abdullah Ebrahim & Co. 10

RIFLE SHOOTING.

On Saturday the 21st inst. the League Team of the Volunteer Reserves engaged in a practice shoot over the 200, 500 and 600 yards in weather which was a yester day but favourable what with the bad light, and the dust and smoke from the busy Hung Hom quarters which hung for over an hour over the butts at the 500 and 600 yards ranges nearly obscuring the targets. The results may be considered very satisfactory. Given better conditions, if only free from smoke the Reserve Team promises to make a good showing in this year's League matches. The scores are as under:

Mr. McLennan ... 95

Mr. Hamilton ... 94

Mr. Branch ... 90

Mr. Lyon ... 89

Mr. Bird, L.G. ... 89

Mr. Watson ... 89

Mr. Dobbs ... 88

Mr. Gipson ... 74

Total ... 708

Sold to Japan.

The Rotterdam steamer Leonora has been sold to a Japanese company and has sailed for the East via Cardiff.

Y.M.C.A. LECTURE.

Professor A.B.W. Salt. on The Philippines.

There were few present at the Y.M.C.A. last night to hear the very instructive lecture by Professor Salt dealing with the Philippines and its people. The lecture was comprehensively illustrated with limelight views which gave point to the subject. Politically the islands loomed up very prominently at the moment, said Professor Salt, and the Manila Merchants Association who provided the slides for that lecture, were always willing to assist tourists and to suggest places to go to. He referred to the seclusion in which the Philippines had been wrapped and averred that the Spaniards had encouraged seclusion. To-day the pages of the book were open and everyone could go to the Philippines and they were encouraged to go. The increased facilities provided by the shipping world made the island more accessible and the terrible terrors associated with the trip from Hongkong in small ships was minimised by the large liners that now included Manila in their ports of call.

The history of the country was somewhat curious and interesting. The lecturer then dealt with the area of the islands, its population and its tribes in a most studied and concise manner. There were three groups of Filipinos—Christian, non-Christian and aborigines. The Christian Filipinos numbered seven millions. The weapons of the Aborigines were the bow and arrow, with which they were clever, and a blow-pipe through which they precipitated a poison, the nature of the poison having been kept secret to the tribe. The Spaniards when they got rid of the Mohammedans and had driven them into North Africa, and had conquered the Moors, commenced to colonise, as the English did when England had got rid of her troubles in Europe. When they got to the Philippines they found Mohammedans who owed allegiance to the Sultan of Brunei. The lecturer advised his hearers to read of the islands in Foreman, but only for interest, not for accuracy. He was a journalist from Australia and he had treated his subject in a very interesting way though he was not altogether accurate. The speaker then gave a sketch of development in the Philippines.

HOME FOOTBALL.

The Scottish Cup. The third round in the Scottish Cup resulted as follows:

Celtic 5 Forfar Athletic ... 0

Third Lanark 4 Raith Rovers ... 1

Airdrieonians ... 1 Queen's Park ... 1

Hibernians 2 Rangers ... 1

Partick Thistle ... 4 Kilmarnock ... 1

Steve ... 3 United 3 Peebles Rovers ... 2

Motherwell ... 2 Broxburn United ... 0

St. Mirren 2 Aberdeen ... 1

Brussels Canal.

The opening of the Brussels Canal next June ought to make a material difference to shippers from Manchester since fairly large steamers will be able to go direct to the Belgian capital. Both import and export trade with the interior will of course thus gain by cheaper transit. Hitherto the shipments from this district have gone by Antwerp, and thence by rail or canal to their destination. The Cork Steamship Company, who have regular sailings between Manchester and Antwerp and Ghent, announced that with the opening of the Brussels Canal they will establish a direct steamship service between Manchester and Brussels.

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POST OFFICE.

On and after April 1st the Western Branch Post Office (situated in the old Harbor Office in rear of the Western Market North Block) will be open daily from 7 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. on week days and from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Sundays and Holidays for the transaction of postal business e.g. sale of stamps registration etc. Direct mails to Canton are made up at this office.

The Arcadia, with the English Mail left Singapore on Friday, the 20th Inst., at 6 p.m. and may be expected here to-morrow, the 25th Inst., at 8 a.m. This packet brings the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all-sea route on the 18th Inst. and for despatch overland on the 23rd Inst.

The Cheyan, with the mail from London (via Siberia) of Wednesday and Friday, the 4th and 6th Inst., is due to arrive here to-morrow.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left	Due
London Mar. 4	Shanghai Mar. 21
Mar. 7	Mar. 23

MAIL DUE.

English, Arcadia, 25th Inst.
Siberian, Cheyan, 25th Inst.

MAILS CLOSE TO-DAY.

Philippines Is.—For CHINHUA, 24th Inst., 5 p.m.

Amoy—SEANG CHOOON, 24th Inst., 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Haiphong, Pakhol & Saigon—For

MATHILDE, 25th Inst., 8 a.m.

Philippines Is.—Australia via Shanghai

Port Darwin—Per CHANG SHA, 25th Mar. 9 a.m.

Straits & Ceylon—Per KATORI MARU, 25th Inst., 9 a.m.

Swatow—Per HAIMUN, 25th Inst., 10 a.m.

Japan via Kobe—Per MISHIMA MARU, 25th Inst., 5 p.m.

Swatow—Amoy—Foothong—Per

KAILOMARU, 25th Inst., 1 p.m.

Swatow—Per PONGTONG, 25th Inst., 2 p.m.

Japan via Kobe—Per NANKAI MARU, 25th Inst., 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, 26th Mar.

Haiphong & Pakhol—Per SUNGKIAN, 26th Inst., 9 a.m.

Japan via Kobe—Per ONSANG, 26th Inst., 9 a.m.

Wei-Hai-Wei, Chiao & Tientsin—Per

KUEICHOW, 26th Inst., 11 a.m.

Fort Bayard, Haiphong & Pakhol—Per

HUE, 26th Inst., 11 a.m.

Shanghai, North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per

ARCADIA, 25th Inst., 4 p.m.

American Siberian Mail—Per SAMSEN, 25th Inst., 5 p.m.

FRIDAY 27th Mar.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAI-

TAN, 27th Inst., 10 a.m.

Straits & Burmah—Per JELUNGKA, 27th Inst., 11 a.m.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per

JAPAN, 27th Inst., 2 p.m.

Tientsin—Per CHIPSHING, 27th Inst., 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, 28th Mar.

Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Adel-

aido, Western Australia, India,

Aden, Egypt, and Europe via

Brindisi. Late 11 a.m.

to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.

(Supplementary mail on

board up to the time fixed for

departure of the mail (Extra

Postage 10 cents). (Letters

posted in all the Pillar Boxes

in time for the first clearance

will be included in this con-

cern).—The Parcel mail will be

closed on Friday the 27th Inst.

5 p.m.—Per DEVANHA, 28th Inst., 11 a.m.

Philippines Islands—Per LOONGSAM, 28th Inst., 1 p.m.

SUNDAY, 29th Mar.

Swatow—Per HAIMUN, 29th Inst., 9 a.m.

MONDAY, 30th Mar.

Shanghai, North China (Europe via

HANG-SANG, 30th Inst., 5 p.m.

TUESDAY 31st Mar.

Philippines Islands, Japan via

Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada,

United States and South

America, via San Francisco—

Per NILS, 31st Inst., 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per

HAI-YANG, 31st Inst., 10 a.m.

Shanghai & North China—Per SHAO-

SHING, 31st Inst., 11 a.m.

Shanghai & North China via Kobe

—Per KUTSANG, 31st Inst., 1 p.m.

Philippine Islands—Per TAMING, 31st

3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 1st April.

American & Canadian Mail—Shanghai and North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Victoria and Tasmania—Per MEXICO

MARU, 1st April, noon.

Thursday, 2nd April.

American & Siberian Mail—Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States and South America via San Francisco—(Europe via Siberia)—Per E. OF JAPAN, 2nd April, 10 a.m.

Shanghai & North China—Per ANHUI, 2nd April, 3 p.m.

Friday, 3rd April.

American & Siberian Mail—India via Calcutta—Per NAM-

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